

## A Little History of St. Augustine's Church

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The Church rests upon two numbered lots which the city of South Bend designated as 1228 and 1238.

The city directories indicate that the **Telesfor Radomskis Dry Goods Store** was located at 1228 West Washington St. from 1932 to 1933. In 1934 the lot is listed as being vacant and remained in that condition from 1934 through 1937. In 1938 the registry now lists St. Augustine's church as being located at 1228 West Washington. By 1939 the church has expanded to include 1238 West Washington. Before St. Augustine's occupied this new area the site had been the location of **Frank T. Kloska's Saloon and Restaurant**.

West Washington St.

Liston St.

Alley

Alley

Birdsell St.



St. John's Church



Mrs. Buchanan



Mrs. Billy Powell



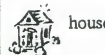
Mrs. Matthews



Mrs. Comer's Grocery  
Store and fish market



Liston Hotel, owned by Mr. Telefario  
(African American) Late 30's early  
40's.



house.



Mrs. Annie  
Hill's Res-  
taurant.



Harry  
Reid's



Store  
Front

Willis  
Grocery and later  
was Ella  
May  
Wright's  
grocery  
store.

T. L.  
Robinson  
Tailor and  
dry clean-  
ers



Lydell  
Pope



Uncle Bill's  
Restaurant. Locals  
called it "The Big  
House"  
133 Birdsell



Haynes  
F. Home

Original  
Site of  
Higgins  
Funeral  
Home



Fowler's  
Pool Hall



St. Augustine's  
Church, first African  
American Church in  
South Bend.



Hank  
Hill's  
Tavern



This was the site of  
Hank Hill's Pool Hall.  
Later purchased by  
Lewis Blanton. Mr.  
Dewey "Sub" Ford had  
a barber shop in a lean-  
to structure attached to  
the back of the build-  
ing. Mr. Ford was a  
pitcher for the  
"Foundry Giants." He  
pitched underhand thus  
the nickname "Sub"  
Upstairs was the law  
office of Attorney  
Zilford Carter. Later  
this was Dr. Mott's first  
office space.



Haber-  
dashery



Resi-  
dence of  
Zebdee  
Brice.



Pilgrim  
Baptist  
Church



Apart-  
ment  
complex



The home of  
Mrs. Sanders.  
She had a  
small store in  
one of the  
front rooms of  
her home,  
from which  
she sold pop-  
corn, candy,  
and ice cream.

Large  
side yard



Original  
site of  
Uncle  
Bill's, 128  
Birdsell

Alley

Alley

W  
S + N  
E

Business district of Birdsell St. and surrounding area, circa. 1935 to  
1941.